

## **REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR HEULWEN D HULME – RHIWCYNON WARD**

**FEBRUARY 2024**

### **RURAL POLICING UPDATE**

The police spoke about rural crime and in particular farm theft. They are very keen to come out into the rural communities to talk to various groups i.e. Community Councils, W.I, YFC, Agricultural Groups. For the period 18.09.23 – 31.01.24 – 1 attempted Burglary but burglars were disturbed and nothing was taken. 2 Thefts – heating oil and alloy Wheels. 0 Criminal damage. If you wish to have a meeting regarding Crime Prevention Advice, please do get in touch.

### **REPLACEMENT LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN – 2026 ONWARDS**

Work is well underway towards developing the next Local Development Plan. It will take into consideration – population projections, local housing market assessments including the type and location of property needs, housing land supply, completion rates and the economic growth and employment development.

### **POWYS TEACHING HEALTH BOARD BRIEFING**

Applications for the post of Chief Executive Officer for PTHB has just closed on 31.01.2024. Interviews will take place later this month when it is hoped the successful candidate will be announced.

At the briefing, the board has identified the need to move at pace. So a fundamental shift into aged care provision. To strengthen primary and community care and to have a tiered approach to enhance community care. The main areas of acceleration being – frailty and community care, mental health and care planning at an earlier age.

### **COUNTY FARMS BRIEFING**

The Powys County Farms Estate comprises of 8 starter farms (less than 10 acres), 85 intermediate farms (10 – 89 acres) and 42 progression farms (in excess of 90 acres). The estate is currently being re-valued but in 2018/19 it was valued at £95.3m. The annual income is circa £1.2m per annum.

### **BUDGET SETTING 24/25**

The budget was agreed on 22.02.2024 whereby it was set at 7.5% for the next 12 months. The Independent Groups, Conservatives and Plaid Cymru voted against with a total of 32 votes but the Lib Dems/Labour coalition voted for with a total of 34 votes. So hence it was passed.

### **POWYS SUSTAINABLE FOCUS BRIEFING**

There are currently local briefings taking place in the 13 larger towns in Powys to engage with members, schools, town and Community Councils including joint working between Powys County Council, Powys Teaching Health Board, PAVO and Llais. The areas of engagement will be Climate & Nature, Education, Housing, Income & Work, Council & Democracy, Your Community, Infrastructure & Transport and Wellbeing.

### **PLANNING IN THE RHIWCYNON WARD**

- ABERHAFESP PLANNING
- 23/0636/FUL – Conversion of agricultural outbuilding into an annex – Bwlchcaehaidd, BYF SY16 3JB

- DWYRIW PLANNING
- 22/2217/FUL – Lateral extension to extraction area at Tan Y Foel Quarry, Cefn Coch, SY21 0AN
- 23/1612/FUL – Demolish existing dwelling & replace with new & assoc. works & new septic tank – Tyn Y Celyn, Adfa, SY16 3DD
- 23/1836/FUL – Conversion of abandoned dwelling & barn to form dwelling & vehicular access & sewage treatment plant – Minffordd, Cefn Coch, SY21 0AP
- 23/1644/CLE – Certificate of lawfulness for breeding and boarding kennels – Tan Llan, Llanwyddelan, SY16 3NN
- 23/1738/CLE – Occupation of a dwelling and Agricultural occupancy, Ffinant, Llanwyddelan SY16 3BU
- 24/0042/FUL – Residential dwellings, Pant Y Crai, Adfa SY16 3BX
- BOC/24/0027 – Llawnt Uchaf, New Mills SY16 3NP
- 24/0172/FUL – Agricultural Bldg & Assoc works, Crugnant, Adfa, SY16 3DF
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- MANAFON PLANNING
- OPDE/22/0160 – Brynteg, New Mills, SY16 3NQ – **case closed but re-opened.**
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- TREGYNON PLANNING
- 23/1826/FUL – Conversion of outbuilding to residential dwelling & associated works – Penyborfa, New Mills SY16 3NT
- 23/1959/LBC – Remove render from gable end and paint. Old School, Tregynon SY16 3EH
- 24/0027/LBC – Repair and rebuild Walled Garden, Gregynog Hall, Tregynon SY16 3PW

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